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## NEW YORK EGG PRODUCTION DOWN 6 PERCENT IN MAY

Egg production on New York farms totaled 96 million eggs in May, down 6 percent from last year, according to Stephen Ropel, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office.

The number of hens and pullets of laying age, at 3.89 million, decreased 4 percent from May 2009 and the rate of lay was 2,467 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from last year.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.69 billion during May 2010, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.58 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.04 billion were broiler-type and 73 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2010 averaged 338 million, up slightly from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,276 eggs, up 1 percent from May 2009.

U.S. egg-type chicks hatched during May 2010 totaled 43.1 million, up 6 percent from May 2009. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.3 million on June 1, 2010, down slightly from a year ago. The information in this release is available by free email subscription by subscribing to New York reports at www.nass.usda.gov/ny.

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